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Gasoline Leak Identified and Stopped

Wichita Falls, Texas — The City of Wichita Falls Fire Department responded to a call this morning at approximately 7:30AM regarding a potential gasoline leak in the area of Midwestern Parkway and Sikes Lake. In conjunction with the City of Wichita Falls, Midwestern State University Officials and the Midwestern State University Police Department worked quickly to divert traffic while identifying the source of the leak. As of this afternoon, the gasoline leak was located and stopped. The majority of the leak was contained to Sikes Lake. The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Agency (TCEQ) was on scene and will continue to monitor the situation. A licensed hazardous material company is on-site to begin the remediation of Sikes Lake. Sikes Lake Trail will remain closed until tomorrow morning. Although the trail will open tomorrow morning, guests to the area are asked to refrain from fishing or participating in activities accessing the water on the North side of the lake. Officials are confident there is no on-going leak that poses any threat to residents. All roads are reopened for use.

For information or questions please contact Wichita Falls Emergency Preparedness at 940-761-6870.

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